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**RE: Missing Response to Office Action**  
**Serial No.: 09/544,355**

(Message) Examiner Hu: Follow up to my phone call to you on Friday, March 19, regarding the missing Response to Office Action from 2003. Here is the Response with certificate of mailing and a copy of the postcard showing receipt by the PTO. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the number above.

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Docket #: 1644 Applicant: H. C. Koesten, Jr., Barnes  
Title: Method and System for Communi...App No.: 09/540,050Filed: 4-10-00VERIFIED BY: Atty: SCGAtty: SCG QC:   

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## PATENT

Case Docket No. MPATENT.164A

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In re application of : McKeith, James A.  
 App. No. : 09/544,355  
 Filed : April 6, 2000  
 For : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
       COMMUNICATING BETWEEN  
       CLIENTS IN A COMPUTER  
       NETWORK.  
 Examiner : Hu, Jinsong  
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